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EHS Community:

I know that many of you have been wondering about the changes to the state assessment in math. I apologize that this is coming out so late but I wanted you to have the most accurate information and that only became available recently from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Math HSPE has been replaced by the End of Course Exams in Math. There are three different End of Course Exams this year: Algebra I, Geometry and Make-Up 1.

Students who are currently in an Algebra I class will take the Algebra I End of Course Exam (EOC). Students who are currently in a geometry class will take the Geometry EOC. All other students will be assigned to take the Make-Up 1 EOC which is a general Algebra I exam. Teachers have all been given practice exam questions. If you would like a practice exam, please contact your student's math teacher. You can also learn more about End of Course Exams at

<http://www.k12.wa.us/GraduationRequirements/MathEnd-of-CourseExams.aspx> .

What is required?

The math assessment requirement depends upon each student's graduation year:

- Students in the class of **2011** and **2012** are not required to pass the WASL, HSPE or EOC. Students in the class of 2011 and 2012 must, however, take the exam at least once. If they do not pass it, they must take and pass two years of math after 10th grade.
- Students in the class of **2013** and **2014 must pass** the End of Course for at least one math course to graduate.
- Students in the class of **2015 and beyond must pass** two End of Course Exams to graduate.

Can my student earn credit for the EOC?

In addition, to meeting their graduation requirements, students can recover a failed grade in Algebra I or Geometry by passing the respective test.

When can my student retake the EOC if he or she fails it?

Students can retake an End of Course Exam in February of 2012.

When will the EOC be given?

The End of Course Exams will be given on June 1st.

June 1st is a half day early release and only the EOC Exams will be given on that day.

The EOC Exams will be administered from 7:30 to 10:30 am. Students can have more time if needed.

There will be normal bus pick up at 10:30 am as on any early release day.

There will be another bus at 11:30 for those students who need more time.

Does my student need a special calculator for the EOC Exam?

We will have some calculators available for students to borrow during the exam. It is always better for students to use a calculator that they are familiar with. Not all calculators are allowed though.

Four Required Functions: (Scientific Calculator)

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| • Exponents | • Cube root |
| • Square Root | • Trigonometric functions (for geometry only) |

Calculators not allowed:

- Cell phones; iPods or other wireless communication devices

- Casio: CFX-9970G Series, Algebra FX 2.0, ClassPad 300
- Hewlett-Packard (HP): HP-40G; HP-48gII series, HP-49Gseries, HP-50Gseries
- Texas Instrument (TI): TI-85, TI-89, TI-92, Voyage 200, TI-Nspire CAS

NOTE:

If you want to use your TI-82, TI-83 or TI-84 all stored and archived programs and applications will be permanently cleared.

General Information:

Math EOC Assessments ALERT

**THE MATH HSPE HAS BEEN REPLACED BY THE
END OF COURSE (EOC) ASSESSMENTS.**

New math graduation requirements

Classes of 2011 and 2012: Meeting standard on a state math assessment is NOT required, but students who have not met standard must earn two math credits after 10th-grade AND have a valid math WASL, HSPE or EOC attempt. Students can meet standard by passing one EOC.

Classes of 2013 and 2014: Must meet standard on at least one math EOC assessment.

Classes of 2015 and beyond: Must meet standard on two math EOC assessments.

2011 testing information

- ◆ This spring, high school students will take one of three exams:
 - ◇ Algebra students will take an Algebra EOC exam.
 - ◇ Geometry students will take a Geometry EOC exam.
 - ◇ Students who have already taken Algebra and Geometry will take a Makeup 1 exam. This is a general Algebra makeup test.
- ◆ All students who have not met math standard on the HSPE, WASL, or a state-approved alternative will be scheduled to take an EOC.
- ◆ There are **NO** EOC retakes for high school students this school year. The next opportunity for a math EOC exam will be in January 2012.
- ◆ Please contact your student's math teacher for exam review materials.

Everett High School testing day information

- ◆ Testing is on **Wednesday, June 1, 7:30 – 10:30 a.m.**
This is an early release day.
- ◆ Only students who are testing will be allowed on campus.
- ◆ Lunch will not be served.
- ◆ Students should bring a scientific or non-CAS graphing calculator (e.g., TI-82, TI-85, TI-84). For more information, visit <http://www.k12.wa.us/Mathematics/CalculatorPolicy.aspx>.

Regular bus routes with two drop-off times

- ◆ Regularly scheduled drop-off time for a 10:30 a.m. release time.
- ◆ Second drop-off time for students testing until 11:30 a.m.
- ◆ Students testing after 11:30 a.m. must arrange their own transportation.
- ◆ Morning pickup times remain the same.

Additional EOC information: <http://www.k12.wa.us/assessment>
EHS scheduling questions? Call Anne LaRue at 425-385-4487.

Please feel free to contact [me](#), [Anne LaRue](#) or your student's [math teacher](#) if you have any questions.

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